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SCHILLEBEECKX TO ADDRESS TRINITY INSTITUTE

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NEW YORK (DPS, Oct. 7) -- The Rev. Dr. Edward Schillebeeckx, making his first public appearance before a national audience in the United States, will be the opening speaker for the national East/West conferences of Trinity Institute (Episcopal). Trinity Institute-East will be held here at Trinity Church and the Statler Hotel, Jan. 24-26. Trinity-West will be held at San Francisco's Grace Cathedral, Jan. 27-29.

One of the world's foremost theologians, Schillebeeckx's studies in christology have illuminated the contemporary understanding of the person of Jesus. The first of his three presentations will be on the nature of religious discourse, examining how one speaks of God; the second presentation will develop an understanding of Jesus the Christ; and in the third Schillebeeckx will explore the dialectic between the understanding of Jesus Christ that comes to the individual through revelation and tradition and thus shapes experience and, on the other hand, how the individual's experience shapes an understanding of revelation and tradition.

Since 1958, Schillebeeckx has been professor of dogmatic theology, history of theology, and professor of Christian anthropology at the Catholic University of Nijmegen, Netherlands. He served as the theological advisor for the Dutch bishops at the Second Vatican Council.

In Trinity Institute-East Dr. Ann Ulanov, professor psychiatry and religion at Union Theological Seminary, New York, will talk about the development of the image of God with attention to masculine and feminine symbols.

Dr. Penelope Washbourn, adjunct professor of theology at Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, Calif., will speak at Trinity Institute-West. Her address will focus on how personal experience shapes one's concept of God with emphasis rooted in ordinary, personal experience. She is both a theologian and a management training specialist.

Joining the theologians from the Netherlands and the United States will be the Rev. Canon A.M. Allchin, Residentiary Canon at Canterbury Cathedral. Allchin has served Church of England commissions on doctrine, marriage and divorce, and intercommunion. His addresses in New York and San Francisco will deal with human nature as understood in the Eastern Orthodox tradition. He will explore the view that people understand their destiny as they participate in the divine.

The Rt. Rev. Anselmo Carral, former Bishop of Guatemala, and presently the director of the Center for Hispanic Ministries, located at the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest, Austin, Tex., will preach at the opening Eucharist at Trinity Church in New York and at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco.

Trinity Institute is a national program of theological renewal for clergy and laity sponsored by the Parish of Trinity Church, New York. Registration information is available from Trinity Institute, 74 Trinity Place, New York, NY 10006, 212/285-0871.

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Note: A photograph of the Rev. Edward Schillebeeckx (#82206) is enclosed.

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WASHINGTON CATHEDRAL
CAMPAIGN SUCCESSFUL

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WASHINGTON (DPS, Oct. 7). -- Bishop John T. Walker announced on Oct. 1 at a gathering of friends of Washington Cathedral the successful completion of the cathedral's three year capital fund drive.

"In May 1979," Walker said, "we set out to raise \$15.5 million, plus the campaign expenses of half a million, by the cathedral's 75th anniversary. We have attained our goal." The cathedral, one of the largest in the world, was begun in September 1907.

Campaign chairman Huntington Harris of Leesburg, Va., stated that a total of over \$16 million in gifts and pledges has been raised which meets the overall goal and also provides a base for further development of the cathedral's ministry.

Harris, referring to the original campaign goals set by the cathedral's governing board, said: "We have met our primary goal of funding the cost incurred in the mid-1970's to complete the nave and west facade. We have raised the funds necessary to complete the Pilgrim Observation Gallery which we dedicated last Wednesday. We have exceeded our goal for funding the beginning of the towers of St. Peter and St. Paul and the goal for endowing maintenance as well. And we have raised over \$1.6 million from gifts and irrevocable trusts for program endowment."

Harris in expressing his gratitude to the donors and leaders present at the dinner at St. Alban's School, also praised the work of his vice chairman, Canon Charles Martin, and said that without the devoted work of Walker, Cathedral Provost Charles Perry, the Cathedral Chapter, the Brakeley, John Price Jones organization, cathedral campaign leadership, the cathedral development staff and the many campaign volunteers, this effort would not have succeeded. After all, he complimented the cathedral donors who, he said, have given so generously. Of the 16 million plus pledged, almost 12 million has been received and a little more than \$4 million is in the form of outstanding pledges and trusts. The record of pledge payment to date is excellent, Harris said. Most of the remaining pledges are expected to be received by mid-1985.

Perry provided the gathering with further details. "In 1979," he said, "we projected a goal of \$10 million to fund the construction debt of \$8 million and pay interest of \$2 million during the three-year campaign. Campaign funds have already covered those interest payments and have been applied to reducing

the debt by \$5 million. Pledges still to be paid will completely eliminate the remaining debt by 1985 as planned, and cover interest accruing during this interim period as well. Thus we now see our way to being entirely debt-free by 1985 with steadily declining demands for interest payments until then."

Perry turned his attention to cathedral program endowment, expressing his appreciation for the gifts of over \$1.6 million which will add significantly to annual endowment income. "And in addition to that achievement," he said, "we are greatly heartened that a substantial number of cathedral friends have told us through formal communication in the course of the campaign that the cathedral is in their wills. We must continue to seek gifts and bequests to build the endowment still further. The cathedral ministry and outreach program is our prime concern. We exist to provide an effective national ministry and that takes money, currently over two and a half million dollars a year. Of that amount in 1982-83," Perry added, "a million dollars will have to be raised through the annual fund and endowment will contribute about half a million with the balance to come from other sources. We really need about twice that much from endowment in the long run."

Walker surprised the audience with an announcement of future construction. "The campaign has allowed us to finish the Pilgrim Observation Gallery by the 75th anniversary of the foundation stone laying and at a cost below our most optimistic projections," he said. "Construction work has stopped for the moment, but planning is going forward and we will be able in the spring of 1983 to resume construction of the towers on a modest, pay-as-you-go basis. The Mabel Pew Myrin Trust of Philadelphia has given us a \$500,000 grant for construction of the west towers for one year. The Chapter has approved construction on this basis, which will raise the towers about one story. We will continue to work with a small group of donors to seek gifts for tower construction, to permit us to continue beyond next year at that rate of building, but we do not envisage a major campaign, certainly not at this time," he said.

Walker concluded by thanking the cathedral's friends for their "inspiring support" and stating that the funding of the nave debt, completion of the Pilgrim Observation Gallery and increase in total endowment of over two million dollars will make possible renewed emphasis on the cathedral's ministry. With the leadership and commitment the campaign has generated, he said, he looks toward fulfillment of his hope to make the cathedral truly the House of Prayer for All People to which its founders dedicated it seventy-five years ago.

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ANGLICAN PRAYER
CALENDARS MERGE

DPS 82208

LONDON (DPS, Oct. 7) -- Anglicans are to have a new international prayer calendar as the result of the amalgamation of two Anglican-Episcopal publications which have for many years been produced separately on either side of the Atlantic.

The joint venture brings together the *Anglican Cycle of Prayer* and *Partners in Prayer* produced respectively by the London-based Anglican Consultative Council and Forward Movement Publications, an official agency of the Episcopal Church, located in Cincinnati, Ohio, and was launched in early October.

It will retain the name *The Anglican Cycle of Prayer* and the general framework of the former publication. But it will also resemble *Partners in Prayer* in its aim to promote informed intercession on behalf of the 411 dioceses which make up the world-wide Anglican Communion -- spanning Aba (Nigeria) to Zululand (South Africa).

Each day, users will be aided in their prayers for one or two dioceses by specific prayer requests supplied by each diocese. There are accompanying maps. A lot of trouble has been taken to link intercession for particular Provinces and dioceses with important occasions such as national days. And while it is primarily for Anglican use, there is a definite ecumenical dimension. Days are set aside for prayer for other Christian Churches and the *Cycle* can be used in conjunction with *For All God's People*, the prayer calendar of the World Council of Churches.

Canon Austin Masters SSM, Diocese of Hereford, England, was chiefly responsible for planning its general framework, while Marge Bowdon from the staff of Forward Movement co-ordinated the enormous task of extracting the necessary prayer information from the dioceses throughout the world.

The forward for 1983 is contributed by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer can be ordered from Forward Movement Publications, 412 Sycamore Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. The price is \$1.75 plus postage and handling.

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PHOTO CAPTION

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Large Type Prayer Book Published

#82209 SELECTIONS FROM THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER in large type for the visually impaired has been published by the Church Hymnal Corporation. Intended for public worship use, the book has been specially designed -- in size, type-face, paper quality and large comb binding -- to make it possible for handicapped persons to take a full role in the Church's liturgies. The book contains Rite I Morning Prayer, both eucharistic services, the service of Baptism, selections from the pastoral offices, the Psalter, daily devotions and prayers and thanksgivings. Cosponsor for the project was the Episcopal Society for Ministry with the Aging and additional grants were received from the Episcopal Church Foundation, The Bible & Common Prayer Book Society and office of Social and Specialized Ministries of the Episcopal Church Center. The 10" x 7" book is available from the Church Hymnal Corporation, 800 Second Ave. New York, NY 10017. Shown in the photographs are pages 38-39 of the Book with a portion of the service of Baptism for comparison with standard editions of the Book.

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Bishop Tutu Addresses Hunger Luncheon

#82210 South African Bishop Desmond Tutu receives a Bible from the Rev. Fletcher Lowe of Virginia after Tutu addressed a luncheon honoring the late Bishop C. Kilmer Myers of California at the recent meeting of the Episcopal Church General Convention in New Orleans. Myers was one of the founders of the National Hunger Committee which Lowe now chairs and which sponsored the luncheon and a fast day at Convention. The events brought in more than \$2,600 in contributions for hunger programs supported by the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief. Myers' successor, Bishop William Swing, joins in the applause for Tutu.

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WEINHAUER SHARES
LUTHERAN RITE

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SALISBURY, N.C. (DPS, Oct. 7) -- The Episcopal bishop who had a key role in shaping the Lutheran-Episcopal accord has become the first to share in a Lutheran eucharistic celebration.

The Rt. Rev. William G. Weinbauer, bishop of Western North Carolina, was one of six ecumenical representatives invited to the installation of the Rev. Dr. Michael C.D. McDaniel as bishop of the Lutheran Church in America's (LCA) North Carolina Synod.

While robing for the service with the Rev. Dr. James R. Crumley Jr. of New York, bishop of the LCA, and others, it was suggested Weinbauer be invited to participate in the service.

"I'd be honored," he replied and so for the first time since the Episcopal Church and three Lutheran churches approved closer relationships early last month, bishops of the churches joined in a Communion service.

Only last week it had been announced that the bishops of the LCA, the American Lutheran Church and the Association of Evangelical Lutheran Churches and the Rt. Rev. John M. Allin of New York, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church, would join in celebrating the Eucharist in Washington Cathedral on Jan. 16.

Weinbauer chaired the Episcopal delegation for the second series of Lutheran-Episcopal Dialogues which began in 1976. The first series started in 1969, and the approved relationships between the churches was described as "the first positive step" resulting from the 13 years of discussions.

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MONKS' CORNER

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(Monks' Corner is an occasional spiritual column prepared for diocesan publications by members of the Order of the Holy Cross.)

WE SAY HE IS,
BUT IS HE REALLY ?

By Dominic Wilson, O.H.C.

The concept of Kingship is so foreign to most citizens of the United States, that we find difficulty in explaining what we mean when we speak of the Kingship of Christ. Indeed, I think there is a great void in our understanding of that concept simply because the vast majority of us do not have any experience of a truly sovereign power.

I must admit to being a monarchist. I have often longed for that type of government in which there is a being who is truly symbolic of all the people, a being who is intimately involved in my daily life, yet one who is at the same time removed, apart, above, somehow -- other. Our Founding Fathers decided against such a form of government, but that cannot remove that yearning for the "other."

It is in this understanding that I see the Kingship of Christ. The king who has led us and continues to lead us into battle with the enemy, the king who promises us the victory. Here is the king who is deserving of my homage, because he made the supreme sacrifice for me -- giving his life for mine, reclaiming life as a guarantee of eternal life for me. The king who can, with a touch, cleanse me from disease of body and spirit, who can forgive my sins and make me completely whole. The king who, as the Son of God, was present in creation and still breathes new life into his nation, and in so doing makes us all royal as his heirs. Being the agent of creation, my king is the king of all that is, giving everything life, holding everything within his love and rule.

We humans have always placed a high respect and admiration on the person of the monarch. It always seems like a race between the Pope and Queen Elizabeth as to which will be the "most admired" person in this year's poll. Monarches either seem to be despised or loved. Few are met with indifference. If they are, they soon fade away. I find it interesting that in the twentieth century a European country should choose to restore its monarchy rather than insure its continued dissolution. Yet this is what has happened in Spain. What is it that holds up this concept of monarchy to humankind as something to be desired? What else does the sovereign represent?

We use the "kyrie" in our liturgy -- "Lord, have mercy." This was the phrase always uttered before the Roman emperor in the East when he moved from one place to another. It was both his clarion call and a plea that he would hear those who came before him with petitions. The concept of mercy is attached to the king as well. We know that our final judge is to be our king, yet we approach his throne with confidence, for we know of his loving mercy. It must be loving, for he died for me. Would such a king dispense unloving, capricious judgments? His justice is based upon his love for me.

It's a king then. No, not a king. The King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Human monarchs may usurp that title, but only one King can claim it -- literally by Divine Right. The King who gives me life, redeems my life and renews my life is the King to whom I give homage, gratefully and lovingly. As the evangelical hymn goes, "Oh, how I love Jesus, because he first loved me." Then I join with the other citizens of the Kingdom and fall down to worship at his throne, because he first loved me.

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MIDDLE EAST BISHOPS
APPALLED AT MASSACRES

DPS 82213

LONDON (DPS, Oct. 7) -- The bishops of the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East have issued a statement in which they express their horror at the recent massacres near Beirut and "emphasize that in no way can the perpetrators of these atrocities be regarded as Christians."

The Anglican prelates said that if these persons are called Christians, "this is merely to identify them as non-Muslims or non-Jews. The followers of the way of Christ," they assert, "could not possibly participate in such evil acts."

The bishops called on Christians to pray for the Anglican Church in the Middle East "that in our small way we may in love and service deepen our friendship with our brethren of the other great religions of the Middle East."

The statement was signed by Bishop H.B. Dehqani-Tafti of Iran and President Bishop of the province; Bishop Faik Haddad of Jerusalem; Bishop Leonard Ashton of Cyprus and the Gulf; and Canon Brian de Saram, vicar general of the Diocese of Egypt.

The full text of the late September statement follows:

"The Bishops of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East cover vast territories which extend from Libya, Ethiopia and Somalia, from Cyprus to Iran.

"They are fully aware of the tension and conflicts and suffering which tear apart some of the countries within their dioceses, and probably no Province of the Anglican Communion is in greater turmoil.

"The Bishops however, are particularly appalled by the recent massacres in the Beirut and Palestinian camps, and wish to emphasize that in no way can the perpetrators of these atrocities be regarded as Christians. If they are so called, this is merely to identify them as non-Muslims or non-Jews. The followers of the way of Christ could not possibly participate in such evil acts.

"We implore our fellow Christians to support the Churches of the Middle East in their prayers, that in our small way we may in love and service deepen our friendship with our brethren of the other great religions of the Middle East."

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